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MARY BARKER, Executive Director

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Mary is the Executive Director of the Community Transportation Association of Idaho. She also has her own Transportation Planning and Marketing business. She has fifteen years of experience in the public transportation planning and marketing fields.

Prior to moving to Boise and starting her own business, she worked for King County Metro, the public transportation provider in King County, Washington. As a transportation planner there, she helped develop and write initial procedures to implement the Commute Trip Reduction Law for 16 jurisdictions in King County Washington. Procedures included methods for identifying affected employers, evaluating employer transportation programs, measuring progress, reporting and evaluation.

As part of her responsibilities with CTAI, she writes and compiles the grant application for Section 5309 Bus and Bus Facilities federal grant for the participating public transportation providers in Idaho. This grant provides a majority of capital funds for public transportation in the state. For fiscal year 2006, the grant request was for more than \$7 million. She monitors and ensures the obligation of funding received in past years.

As Advertising and Promotions Coordinator for King County Metro and as Manager of Marketing Programs for Sears Mortgage Corporation, she has written and coordinated design and production of numerous newsletters, flyers, brochures and web sites.

She has a Bachelor of Science in Journalism from Northwestern University.

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With over 45 years of experience, Mr. Bower serves as a senior mentor for Lochner. He advises and makes recommendations on firm-wide programs and strategic initiatives, conducts market research and manages management consulting projects for the firm.

Mr. Bower joined Lochner after retiring as Director of the Idaho Transportation Department in Boise, Idaho. He was responsible for the activities of over 1,831 employees and an annual budget of \$431.9 million. Prior to his appointment, Mr. Bower was the Deputy Director of the Colorado Department of Transportation where he also served as a District Engineer, Assistant District Engineer and Senior Highway Engineer.



He has served as the co-chair of the National Quality Initiative and a member of the Executive Committee of the Transportation Research Board (TRB). He was vice chair of the Strategic Forum Steering Committee, and chaired the Standing Committee on Research for AASHTO. He also served on the Research and Technology Coordinating Committee and is a member of the Joint AASHTO-AGC-ARTBA Committee.

Professional Affiliations:

- Associated General Contractors of America
- American Road and Transportation Builders Association
- American Association of State Highway & Transportation Officials; current member and served on the Board of Directors
- IT Resource Management Council
- Research & Technology Coordinating Committee
- Western Association of State Highway & Transportation Officials, current member and president in 1997

Experience Highlights:

- Governor's Highway Safety Representative for ID & CO
- Led U.S. European Safety Management Plans Study Team, 2002
- Presentations to ID & CO Legislatures and testified on U.S. Congressional Transportation Issues
- Member U.S. Around the World Privatization of Transportation Functions Team, 1995
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David Ekern was appointed Director of the Idaho Transportation Department in 2003. Prior to his appointment, he served 33 years with the Minnesota Department of Transportation as Assistant Commissioner, Division Director of Engineering Services, Assistant Chief Engineer, and as a District Engineer. He has also held positions in Environmental Policy, Project Development, Planning, and Operations

From 2001 – 2003 he was on assignment to the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO). In that role, he focused on initiatives and policy development in Intelligent Transportation Systems, Asset Management, Remote Sensing Technologies, Operations Management, Homeland Security, Traffic Incident Management, Context Sensitive Design, and helping shape congressional reauthorization proposals.

He is a member of numerous professional associations and societies and has earned the standing of Fellow in the American Society of Civil Engineers. David is a Registered Professional Engineer, received his Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Minnesota and his Masters in Business Administration from the University of St. Thomas.



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Scott is the current Chairman of the Idaho Highway Users, Inc. He has been active in the Idaho Highway Users since 1992. The Idaho Highway Users is an organization that exists to proactively advocate for the continuous improvement and safety of the Idaho Highway system. Scott is also a Senior Transportation Manager and Technologist with CH2M HILL. He has worked with CH2M HILL for over 23 years, mostly here in Boise. He was the deputy project manager on the Idaho's Transportation Future: Getting There Together which is the 30 year Long Range Transportation Visioning Process. He has also worked on various projects ranging from I-90, I-184, and I-15, to US 95, US 30, to Downtown Caldwell and Downtown Boise. His experience has been on National Highway System segments, to various local jurisdiction segments of highway, street, and city development.

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Joe attended school in Sandpoint and then the University of Idaho, in Moscow. He graduated in 1965 with a Civil engineering degree and joined the Federal Highway Administration.

After 7 years at FHWA in construction, he returned to Idaho and joined J-U-B Engineers, a consulting engineering firm in Twin Falls in 1972. Joe worked for J-U-B for 22 years at various locations throughout the state with an emphasis in highways, bridges, and airports.

When the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council was formed in 1994, he was hired as the Administrator and has held that position ever since.

One of the priorities given to Joe by his Council is to assist the Local Highway Jurisdictions in utilizing all available federal funds on the local roadway system.

Joe is a registered Profession Engineer in the State of Idaho.

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Byron is a lifelong Idahoan and has been the Deputy Administrator for the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council since August 1995.

He has expertise in a variety of areas including demographics, child well-being, traffic accidents, local government, public policy and administration.

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JIM KEMPTON, Forum Chairman

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Jim Kempton, Northwest Power and Conservation Council, Idaho Council member was appointed by Idaho Governor Dirk Kempthorne to the Council in January 2001. Mr. Kempton is currently serving as the Vice Chair. Kempton, of Albion, was a member of the Idaho House of Representatives where he served on the House Revenue and Taxation Committee and chaired the Transportation and Defense Committee. Earlier, he served for two years on the Environmental Affairs Committee.



Kempton earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in physics from the University of Idaho. He was a fighter pilot in the United States Air Force, an Assistant Professor of Physics at the United States Air Force Academy and worked in the Pentagon as Department of Defense liaison to the Secretary of Commerce on international co-production programs. His Pentagon assignments also included Air Force research and development briefings for the Secretary of the Air Force and staffing multinational memorandums of understanding in the F-16 fighter program.

He returned to Idaho in 1981 and was engaged in ranching until 1990, when he was elected to the Legislature. He is an Idaho State Board of Education-appointed member of "Idaho EPSCoR" (1998-2001), a National Science Foundation experimental program to stimulate competitive research.

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RICHARD F. KROCHALIS, Regional Administrator for Region 10 FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

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Richard (Rick) F. Krochalis is the Regional Administrator of the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) Region 10 office in Seattle, Washington. FTA Administrator Jennifer L. Dorn appointed him to this position in May 2002. In this position, Mr. Krochalis is responsible for the administration of FTA's capital, operating and planning programs in the four-state Western region, which includes Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Alaska. In addition, he provides technical assistance to grantees and State, local and private sector officials on a wide range of matters affecting urban and rural transportation.



Prior to joining the FTA, Mr. Krochalis served as director of design, construction and land use for the city of Seattle from 1992 to 2002. In that position, he substantially improved the performance of Seattle's primary regulatory agency, which is responsible for land use and construction permitting, environmental review and enforcement activities. Under his direction, the agency refined its processes to use new technologies and techniques to enhance customer service, established public partnership agreements to guide capital project development and provided leadership for local and state regulatory reform and housing initiatives.

From 1972 until 1992, Mr. Krochalis served as a Civil Engineer Corps officer in the U.S. Navy in a series of facilities construction and management positions, including deputy public works director, Great Lakes Naval Training Center, planning and real estate director for the Navy's West Coast operations and program manager for development of the Navy homeport at Everett, WA.

Mr. Krochalis holds a master's degree from Harvard University in city and regional planning and a bachelor's degree from Cornell University in environmental systems engineering. He is a past President of the Washington State City Planning Directors Association, past Board President of Sustainable Seattle, Co-Chair of the University of Washington's College of Ocean and Fisheries Science Capital Campaign Committee and a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners, Dean's Advisory Committee, College of Architecture, Art and Planning, Cornell University and the Urban Land Institute.

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Pam has been with the Idaho Department of Transportation for 10 years. She is currently the Administrator of the Division of Motor Vehicles and previously was District 3 Engineer, and also worked in the Division of Highways and Transportation Planning.

Prior to coming to ITD, Pam worked for the Arizona Department of Transportation, a private consultant, and Federal Highways.

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GARY MARING, Senior Associate CAMBRIDGE SYSTEMEMATICS

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Gary Maring is a Senior Associate of Cambridge Systematics with more than 35 years of experience in transportation policy, planning, financing, economic, ITS, freight, and intermodal transportation issues. He also has extensive policy, management, and technical experience with the FHWA. Examples of his major experience and accomplishments include service as the Deputy Director for development of the U.S. DOT National Transportation Policy in 1990; working in the FHWA Policy Office for 13 years, including service as acting Associate Administrator for Policy in 1998; management of major FHWA congressional policy studies on taxation, cost allocation, and truck size and weight; management of public/private partnership initiatives; and management of the Congestion Pricing Pilot Program.

Mr. Maring is an expert in Federal finance and Highway Trust Fund revenue issues; he was responsible for working with the Department of Treasury to develop periodic forecasts of revenue income to the HTF including assessment of alternative fuel impact and tax evasion on HTF revenues. Mr. Maring also has extensive international experience, including transport financing, pricing, economic, and intermodal issues. He assisted the World Bank on a support team to India to advise on public/private partnerships and developed a survey and report on highway financing and public/private partnerships for the World Road Congress member countries.

Since joining Cambridge Systematics in January 2003, he has contributed to several intermodal freight studies in California, Florida, and Minnesota including assessing financing options for several freight projects; contributed to the Hudson Institute/AASHTO/APTA 21st Century Finance study; and contributed substantially to the FHWA Future Directions in Innovative Finance Study. He is currently conducting a future finance study for the National Chamber Foundation. Mr. Maring is supporting the development of a National Freight Action Agenda for the U.S. DOT, and is supporting the City of Chicago on the planning and financing for the \$1.5 billion CREATE rail project of national significance. He is supporting the state of Ohio on analysis of freight bottlenecks and is assisting the state of Texas on a NAFTA update study.

Mr. Maring has received numerous awards including the Presidential Rank Award for Meritorious Service in 1997. He has an undergraduate degree in Civil Engineering from Penn State, a Masters degree in civil engineering/planning from Catholic University, and he completed the Harvard University Program for Senior Managers in Government.

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Ed McKechnie is Chief Commercial Officer for WATCO Companies, a railroad holding company that owns 12 shortline railroads in 12 states. In addition, WATCO provides rail services in another 11 states from Washington to Florida.

In Idaho, WATCO owns the largest shortline network with the Eastern Idaho Railroad and the Great Northwest Railroad; totaling about 300 miles of track. Nationwide, WATCO owns and operates 3,000 miles of track and has more than 1,200 employees.



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Stephen A. Moreno has been Division Administrator in the Alaska and Idaho Divisions. As Division Administrator, he served multiple years on the initial Division Administrator's Council and on the FHWA National Resource Center Board of Directors.

He served as the Director of Planning & Program Development in the former Region One Office of FHWA. In that capacity, he was responsible for Planning, Environment, Air Quality, Research, Technology Transfer, Right of Way and Intelligent Transportation Systems in the nine Region One states.

Prior to serving in the Region One Office, he had assignments in the Alaska, Washington and North Dakota Division Offices. In the Washington Division, he was responsible for FHWA planning programs. During the North Dakota assignment, he was the office traffic operations and safety engineer. He had dual duties in Alaska as supervisor of both the Planning and Field Operations teams.

Upon graduation from the FHWA training program, his first assignment was with the Anchorage based Joint Federal State Land Use Planning Commission. This organization was created to assist with the transfer of Federal Lands to the Alaska Native peoples and the state of Alaska.

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Matt was appointed as the Executive Director of Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) in September 2004. COMPASS is the designated metropolitan planning organization responsible for transportation planning in Ada and Canyon counties. The COMPASS Board comprises 37 members representing the cities, counties, highway districts, school districts, state agencies, and other entities within the two counties. Under Mr. Stoll's direction, the organization focuses on developing and retaining collaborative and cooperative partnerships with local, state, and federal planning agencies and with Treasure Valley communities. Mr. Stoll's responsibilities include direct supervision of all work programs, personnel, legal, and fiscal matters and direction of a 20-person staff and supporting consultants.

In the two years prior to being appointed as the Executive Director, Mr. Stoll served as the organization's Deputy Executive Director and Director of Transportation and Air Quality. Prior to joining COMPASS, he was employed by the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality for nine years in various management and staff positions including Regional Airshed Manager and Air Quality Sciences Manager.

Mr. Stoll has a Bachelor of Arts degree from State University of New York, College at Geneseo in geography; Master of Arts degree in geography from Arizona State University; and post-master's degree course work from Arizona State University and University of Idaho. He is married with two daughters. He is also active within the Treasure Valley community through his involvement in various volunteer and non-profit organizations.

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Tom Warne is the founder and president of Tom Warne and Associates LLC. He is committed to helping organizations advance through the change process necessary to succeed in the 21st Century. Whether the goal is higher profitability or greater organizational effectiveness, Tom Warne has both the background and skills to help private companies and public agencies realize their fullest potential. Tom's work ranges from large projects such as the San Francisco Oakland Bay Bridge to major policy and organizational issues facing private firms and public agencies.



Prior to founding Tom Warne and Associates, LLC, Tom was the Executive Director of the Utah Department of Transportation. He was appointed to that position in 1995 by Governor Michael O. Leavitt. While at UDOT Tom also served as the President of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO). As president of AASHTO he advanced important issues such as environmental streamlining and changes in the 21st Century and Context Sensitive Design (CSD). Tom also served in AASHTO as its vice president and chairman of the Standing Committee on Highways. Active in many other national initiatives, Tom has also served as a member and vice chairman of the Transportation Research Board's Executive Committee.